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NEWS RELEASE

Today, Basil Soloman and Takeeq Sadat were charged in an indictment¹ with conspiring to rob Omega Auto Sales, located at 6441 Dickens Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, announced United States Attorney Zane David Memeger. The indictment further alleges that, during the robbery, Soloman and Sadat brandished firearms and stole cash and other things of value from the business and its employees.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANTS

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
Basil Soloman	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	32
Taukeeq Sadat	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	33

If convicted of all counts, Soloman and Sadat each faces a total maximum sentence of life in prison, with a seven-year mandatory minimum, five years of supervised release, a \$750,000 fine, and a \$300 special assessment. This case has been investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Philadelphia Police Department and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Sozi P. Tulante.

This investigation and prosecution are part of Project Safe Neighborhoods, a joint initiative by the United States Attorney's Office, each of the nine District Attorney's Offices in the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF), the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and other federal, state and local law enforcement agencies to identify and prosecute dangerous firearms offenders in federal court, where the defendants are likely to receive a substantial sentence upon conviction.

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¹An Indictment or Information is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.